

Criteria for Classroom Observation for SLD Determination

The observation:

- Identifies the student's difficulties in the area(s) of suspected underachievement
- Is conducted by someone other than the student's general education teacher (SSW, TC, School Psych., SLP, Counselor, or Administrator)
- Verifies teacher perceptions of the presenting problem
- Assists in decision making for eligibility
- Cross-validates observations made by SSW, TC, School Psych., SLP, Counselor, Administrator or teachers in other settings
- Assists in identifying target areas for developing goals and objectives
- Relates the observed behavior to the student's academic functioning
- Compares the student to the performance of an average student in the classroom